

The Wethersfield Historic District Commission held a Public Hearing on September 22, 2015 at the Wethersfield Town Hall, Town Manager's Conference Room – First Floor, 505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, Connecticut.

Members Present: Douglas Ovian, Vice Chairperson
Chris Lyons
Mark Raymond, Clerk
Jennifer Wolf
Daniel Bucknam, Alternate

Members Absent: Robert Garrey, Chairperson
Damian Cregeau, Alternate
John Aforismo, Alternate

Also Present: Kristin Stearley, Historic District Coordinator
Linda Messina, Recording Secretary

Commissioner Ovian called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM, and read the opening comments. Commissioner Raymond read the Legal Notice as it appeared in the *Rare Reminder* on September 10, 2015.

APPLICATION NO. 4425-15. Andy Sanzaro seeks to reside an existing shed in the rear of the property and to expand another shed in the rear of the property to 12'x13' at 187 Main Street. (Left open at the September 8, 2015 meeting. The last date to act is September 22, 2015.)

Andy Sanzaro, 117 Surrey Drive, appeared before the Commission. There are currently two sheds to the rear of the property. Both have T111 siding. They are in disrepair. He would like to re-side one of the sheds. He would like to expand the other storage shed that is now 8'x12'. He would like to make it a 12'x13' shed that will be an enclosed smoker's room. The existing roofline would be extended. They would remove the existing slab and pour a new one. The siding will be T111 and they will add two windows on the north side. It will be stained Colonial Red. The windows will be wooden frame windows. It will have an asphalt shingle roof. The back will look just like a shed.

Commissioner Ovian asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

APPLICATION NO. 4427-15. Chris and Caitlin Collazo seek to construct a 5' cedar scalloped picket fence with gates in portions of the rear yard to enclose the rear yard at 29 Center Street.

Chris and Caitlin Collazo, 29 Center Street, appeared before the Commission. A plot plan and photos were submitted. There will be a gate on the right side of the house. They would like to install a fence to the rear building line of the garage next to them that meets a pre-existing fence. The new fence will be on the left side of the home. There is an existing fence on the back of the property line. The existing fences are chain link and wire – photos were submitted. There will be black hardware – a brochure was provided. The fence will be cedar – a brochure was submitted. It will be natural in color and it is to be painted white.

Commissioner Ovian asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

APPLICATION NO. 4428-15. William Lostocco seeks to change the roofing material on the rear shed dormer from asphalt shingles to an EPDM roof system at 19 Meggat Park.

Scott Carrier, Eagle Rivet Roof Service, 15 Britton Drive, Bloomfield, appeared before the Commission. They would like to install an EPDM roof system on the back dormer only. They will keep the original drip edge. The roof on the front of the home will stay as is. A sample of the EPDM product was provided.

Commissioner Ovian asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

APPLICATION NO. 4429-15. Bryon Kamay seeks to replace the front door, replace the front picture window with three (3) double hung windows, and to replace the remaining six (6) original wood windows with Andersen 400 windows at 38 Hartford Avenue.

Bryon Kamay, 38 Hartford Avenue, appeared before the Commission. The addition currently has Andersen 400 windows. They would like to replace all other windows so that they match the addition. The only original window is the picture window. All other windows are currently 6/1 vinyl replacements. The windows to be replaced are on the front, west side, and back. The picture window will be three 6/1 double-hung windows. They would also like to replace the front door. Information on the replacement door was submitted. The storm door will remain the same.

Commissioner Ovian asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

APPLICATION NO. 4430-15. The Town of Wethersfield seeks to replace the existing wood windows with Harvey Majesty replacement windows at 150 Main Street.

Howard Willard, 141 Main Street; Amy Wittorf, 150 Main Street; and Doug Lisella, DBL Contracting, 37 Belmont Street, appeared before the Commission. Photos were submitted. They would like to use Harvey Majesty windows. The windows currently have storm windows. The windows will be 6/6. The windows are wooden interior and aluminum clad exterior. The muntins will be 5/8" and they would like ½ screens.

Commissioner Ovian asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

APPLICATION NO. 4431-15. Baker Creek Heirloom Seed Company seeks to amend Certificate of Appropriateness Number 4239-14 to change the dumpster enclosure from the approved shadow box fencing to stockade fencing and to change the gates from shadow box fencing to metal framed gates with either black chain link or stockade panels applied to them at 263 Main Street.

Applicant was not present. Leave application open.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wolf, seconded by Commissioner Lyons, and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to close the public hearing on all applications except 4431-15 and to open the public meeting.

Aye: Ovian, Raymond, Lyons, Wolf, Bucknam

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Upon motion by Commissioner Lyons seconded by Commissioner Bucknam and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application with the following stipulations:

1. The roofing material shall be asphalt shingles in a pre-approved color.
2. The windows shall be 2'x2' single pane wood windows with no light divisions.

Discussion

Commissioner Ovian stated that it looks like a utility bump out on the back of a building. He finds it better than some other alternatives. It's the back of a bar.

Commissioner Lyons stated that it's an extension of an existing bump out with the same materials.

Commissioner Wolf stated that there is a public garden in the back so it is visible.

Aye: Ovian, Lyons, Bucknam

Nay: Raymond

Abstain: Wolf

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Upon motion by Commissioner Wolf seconded by Commissioner Bucknam and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application as submitted.

Discussion

Commissioner Ovian stated that it is an attractive fence.

Aye: Ovian, Raymond, Lyons, Wolf, Bucknam

APPLICATION NO. 4428-15. William Lostocco seeks to change the roofing material on the rear shed dormer from asphalt shingles to an EPDM roof system at 19 Meggat Park.

Upon motion by Commissioner Ovian seconded by Commissioner Wolf and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application as submitted.

Discussion

Commissioner Ovian stated that it is the back of the building and they are not seeking to match the rest of the roof.

Commissioner Raymond stated that it's not really visible because it's so high up. It's low impact on the District.

Aye: Ovian, Raymond, Lyons, Wolf, Bucknam

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Upon motion by Commissioner Raymond seconded by Commissioner Ovian and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application as submitted.

Discussion

Commissioner Ovian stated that these are the same windows that are already on the back of the house. The picture window is a change but not uncommon.

Commissioner Wolf stated that she likes the product, but she's not crazy about the three windows replacing the bay window.

Aye: Ovian, Raymond, Lyons, Wolf, Bucknam

APPLICATION NO. 4430-15. The Town of Wethersfield seeks to replace the existing wood windows with Harvey Majesty replacement windows at 150 Main Street.

Upon motion by Commissioner Ovian seconded by Commissioner Bucknam and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application with the following stipulation:

1. The screens shall be ½ screens in silver.

Discussion

Commissioner Ovian stated that the approval of windows by the Commission has evolved. They are replaced on a life cycle. There is public support for simulated divided light windows.

Commissioner Raymond stated that less is more regarding muntins.

Commissioner Bucknam stated that the storms are being removed so it may look better than the originals.

Aye: Ovian, Raymond, Lyons, Bucknam

Nay: Wolf

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Upon motion by Commissioner Ovian, seconded by Commissioner Wolf and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the minutes of the September 8, 2015 meeting as submitted.

Aye: Ovian, Raymond, Lyons, Wolf, Bucknam

OTHER BUSINESS

Public Comments on General Matters of the Historic District

None.

Report of the Historic District Coordinator

None.

Correspondence

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Commissioner Ovian, seconded by Commissioner Wolf and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to ADJOURN the meeting at 8:54 PM.

Aye: Ovian, Lyons, Raymond, Wolf, Bucknam

Respectfully Submitted

TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Mark Raymond
- Clerk -